


REMARKS

The Specification has been amended to include reference to application number PCT/CA2003/000988 filed on June 30, 2003, which claims priority to United States Provisional Patent Application No. 60/402,765 filed on August 12, 2002 and also to enter the Sequence Listing into the Application.

The Claims have been amended to reduce multiple dependencies and to conform claims more closely to U.S. practice.

Entry of the foregoing amendments and early and favorable processing in the National Phase before the United States Patent and Trademark Office is courteously solicited.

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